

AMENDMENTS TO THE ABSTRACT

Please substitute the following paragraph(s) for the abstract now appearing in the currently filed specification:

[0077] The present invention describes novel methods for reducing sulfur in gasoline with hydrotalcite like compound additives, calcined hydrotalcite like compounds, and/or mixed metal oxide solution-~~solutions~~. The additives can optionally further comprise one or more metallic oxidants and/or supports. The invention is also directed to methods for reducing gasoline sulfur comprising contacting a catalytic cracking feedstock with a mixed metal oxide compound comprising magnesium and aluminum and having an X-ray diffraction pattern displaying a reflection at least at a two theta peak position at about 43 degrees and about 62 degrees, wherein the ratio of magnesium to aluminum in the compound is from about 1:1 to about 10:1.